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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application Of: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS For: Tadashi OHBA, et al. ENCLOSED are the following: 1. Specification, abstract and claims (18 pages) 2. 冈 3 sheets of \square formal \square informal drawings (Figs. 1-5(B)) Suggested Figure for Publication: _____ 3. Declaration unsigned signed Copy from a prior application (for continuation/divisional) 4. \boxtimes **Application Data Sheet** 5. **Preliminary Amendment** 6. Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 7. Assignment and Assignment Recordation sheet (Fee calculated separately) 8. The prior application is assigned to: ___ The assignment was recorded on _____at reel ____ and frame ____. A copy of the assignment from the prior application is enclosed. 9. Non-Publication Request 10. Other: **NOTE** the following: 11. This application is made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (b) and is a Continuation Continuation-In-Part ☐ Divisional of Prior Application No. _____filed _____

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